

House Resolution No. 993

Whereas, as the 2007-2008 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Niangua R-V School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on July 1, 2008, with the retirement of JoAnn C. Jirik who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, JoAnn Jirik has taught for thirty-six years at Niangua R-V, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, JoAnn Jirik has also served as a yearbook advisor and as a speech drama coach who has taken two students to state, prior to which she taught in the Marionville R-VII and Willard R-II school districts and served as a cheerleader/pep club sponsor; and

Whereas, JoAnn Jirik has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of Niangua R-V fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of JoAnn Jirik, who attended Missouri State University, Drury, Evangel, Central Missouri State University, and Linwood College; and

Whereas, JoAnn Jirik has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include four sisters and their spouses, Janet and Jerry McCann, Alice and Ray Evert, Rita and Tom Maschler, and Trudy and Jerry Arnold:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Niangua R-V School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that JoAnn Jirik has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for JoAnn C. Jirik, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Michael L. Cunningham
District No. 145

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 993, adopted March 11, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker